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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

OSBORNE, R.

Serial No.: 09/675,991

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

IMPROVED HALF-DUPLEX
BUS PERFORMANCE

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**Preliminary Amendment** 

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In The Specification:

On page 4, line 2, after "detailed" insert --description--.

On page 7, line 4, delete "and".

On page 9, line 12, change "upstream" to --downstream--.

On page 10, delete the paragraph beginning on line 25, which continues through to page 11, line 3.

On page 11, line 5, change "and" to --in--.

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